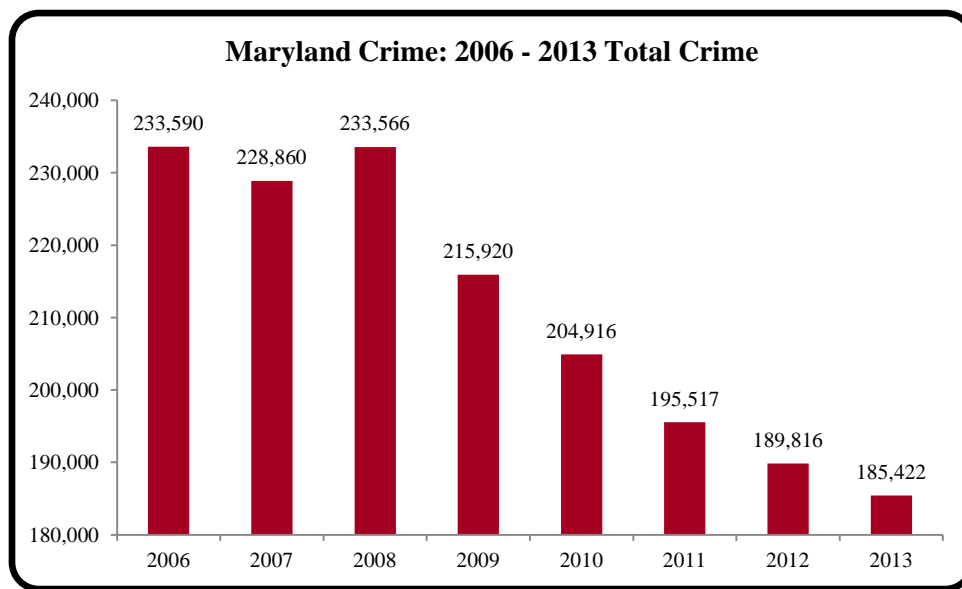# GOCCP ANALYSIS OF UNIFORM CRIME REPORT FOR 2013: Summary

Reduction in Total, Violent, and Property Crime: Reductions in Rape, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Breaking & Entering, Larceny/Theft, and Motor Vehicle Theft
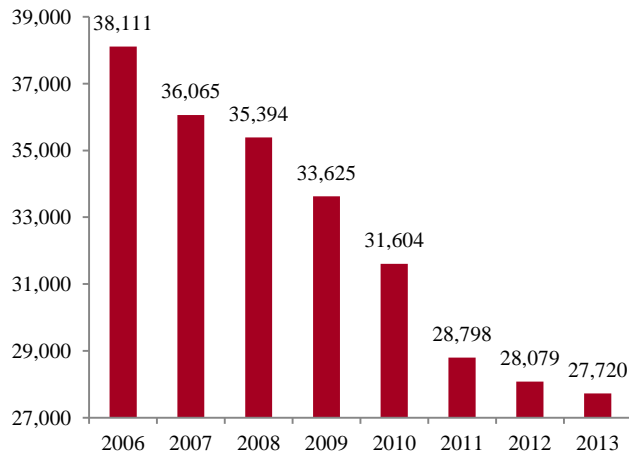
In 2013, Maryland continued to decrease in crime throughout the state. There was a 2.3% reduction in total crime with 4,394 fewer crimes reported in 2013 compared to 2012. This marks the lowest number of total index crimes (185,422) and total crime rate (3,127.5) [1] ever reported since the Maryland UCR program was adopted in 1975. The violent crime rate (467.5) and property crime rate (2,659.9) are also the lowest ever reported in Maryland.

In 2013, the state achieved reductions in 6 of the 7 Part I Crimes including: rape (-5.4%), robbery (-0.9%), aggravated assault (-1.3%), breaking and entering (-4.7%), larceny/theft (-1.2%), and motor vehicle theft (-7.3%). Sixteen jurisdictions reported a reduction in total crime, of which four reported a double-digit reduction. Fifteen jurisdictions noted specific reductions in violent crime (i.e., murder, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault), of which four reported a double-digit decrease. Fourteen jurisdictions noted a specific decrease in property crime (i.e., breaking and entering, larceny/theft, and motor vehicle theft), of which five jurisdictions reported a reduction of ten percent or more.
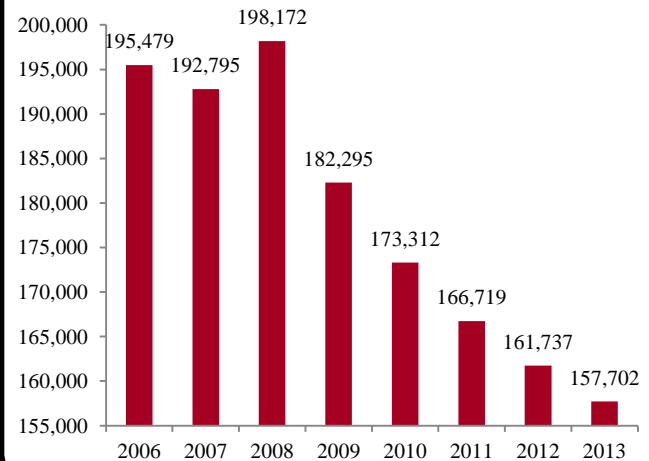
Maryland Crime: 2006 - 2013 Total Crime

Year	Total Crime
2006	233,590
2007	228,860
2008	233,566
2009	215,920
2010	204,916
2011	195,517
2012	189,816
2013	185,422

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[1] All rates are based on 2013 population data, per 100,000 residents.

Maryland Crime: 2006 - 2013 Violent Crime

Year	Violent Crime
2006	38,111
2007	36,065
2008	35,394
2009	33,625
2010	31,604
2011	28,798
2012	28,079
2013	27,720

Maryland Crime: 2006 - 2013 Property Crime

Year	Property Crime
2006	195,479
2007	192,795
2008	198,172
2009	182,295
2010	173,312
2011	166,719
2012	161,737
2013	157,702

2013 MARYLAND CRIME SUMMARY: Statewide Totals and Rates

Maryland 2013 Crime Totals and Crime Rates

Crime Type	2013 Total	Ranking**	2013 Rate*	Ranking**
Homicides	387	Higher than 2012	6.5	2nd Lowest ever reported
Rapes	1,169	Lowest since 2009	19.7	Lowest ever reported
Robberies	10,082	Lowest ever reported	170.1	Lowest ever reported
Aggravated Assaults	16,082	Lowest since 1978	271.3	Lowest ever reported
Violent Crime	*27,720*	*Lowest since 1976*	*467.5*	*Lowest ever reported*
Breaking & Entering	31,889	Lowest ever reported	537.9	Lowest ever reported
Larceny/Thefts	112,384	Lowest ever reported	1,895.6	Lowest ever reported
Motor Vehicle Thefts	13,429	Lowest ever reported	226.5	Lowest ever reported
Property Crime	*157,702*	*Lowest ever reported*	*2,659.9*	*Lowest ever reported*
Total Crime	**185,422**	**Lowest ever reported**	**3,127.5**	**Lowest ever reported**

* Rates for 2013 are based on 2013 population data per 100,000 residents.

** Lowest ever reported indicates the lowest numbers/rates reported since 1975 when the Maryland UCR program was first adopted.

GOCCP ANALYSIS OF UNIFORM CRIME REPORT FOR 2013: Crime Category Breakdown

Violent Crime

Total violent crime in Maryland decreased in 2013 by 1.3% with 359 fewer violent crimes reported. The violent crime rate (467.5) is the lowest rate ever reported since the Maryland UCR program was adopted in 1975. Maryland's rape rate (19.7), robbery rate (170.1), and aggravated assault rate (271.3) are also the lowest rates ever reported while the homicide rate (6.5) is the 2nd lowest ever reported.

> **Homicides:** There was a 4.0% increase in homicides statewide with 387 homicides reported in 2013, 15 more than 2012. The homicide rate of 6.5 per 100,000 residents is the 2nd lowest ever reported in Maryland. Of the 24 jurisdictions in Maryland, 11 experienced a reduction or no change in homicide over the past year.

> **Rapes:** The total number of rapes decreased by 5.4% in 2013 with 1,169 rapes reported; 67 fewer than 2012. Of the 24 jurisdictions in Maryland, 14 achieved a reduction or no change in the number of rapes reported in 2013 compared to 2012.

> **Robberies:** The total number of robberies decreased by 0.9% with 10,082 robberies reported; 89 fewer than 2012. Ten of Maryland's 24 jurisdictions noted reductions or no change in robberies in 2013.

> **Aggravated Assaults:** The total number of aggravated assaults decreased by 1.3% in 2013. A total of 16,082 aggravated assaults were reported, representing 218 fewer aggravated assaults than in 2012. Reductions in aggravated assaults were noted in 17 jurisdictions in 2013 compared to 2012.

Property Crime

Property crime in Maryland decreased by 2.5% in 2013 with 4,035 fewer property crimes reported. The property crime rate (2,659.9) is the lowest rate ever reported since the Maryland UCR program was adopted in 1975. Maryland's burglary rate (537.9), larceny/theft rate (1,895.6), and motor vehicle theft rate (226.5) are also the lowest rates ever reported.

> **Breaking and Entering:** Maryland had 1,583 fewer breaking and entering crimes in 2013 (31,889 total), a 4.7% reduction. Eighteen jurisdictions noted reductions or no change in breaking and entering in 2013 compared to 2012.

> **Larceny/Theft:** The total number of larceny/theft crimes decreased by 1.2% statewide in 2013. A total of 112,384 larceny/theft crimes were reported which represents 1,388 fewer crimes than in 2012. Fifteen jurisdictions noted reductions in larceny/theft crimes in 2013 compared to 2012.

> **Motor Vehicle Thefts:** The state had a 7.3% decrease in motor vehicle thefts in 2013. A total of 13,429 motor vehicle thefts were reported which represents 1,064 fewer thefts than in 2012. Sixteen jurisdictions noted a reduction or no change in motor vehicle thefts in 2013 compared to 2012.

<h1 style="text-align: center">GOCCP ANALYSIS OF UNIFORM CRIME REPORT FOR 2013: County Breakdown</h1>

In 2013, 16 jurisdictions reported reductions in total crime (ranging from -0.1% to -23.1%), while 8 reported increases (ranging from 0.4% to 14.6%).

Fifteen jurisdiction reported reduction in violent crime (ranging from -0.8% to -24.7%), while 9 reported increases (ranging from 0.3% to 80.3%).

In 2013, 14 jurisdictions reported reductions in property crime (ranging from -2.0% to -23.7%), while 10 reported increases (ranging from 0.2% to 5.9%).

Allegany County

Crime has fluctuated in Allegany County over the past 5 years. In 2013, the county experienced reductions in total crime (-6.2%), violent crime (-7.1%), and property crime (-6.1%). The total crime rate (3,571.5) is the lowest in 5 years. The total number of robberies (63) and its robbery rate (85.3) are the highest ever reported in the county.

Anne Arundel County

Anne Arundel County has gradually decreased in crime over the past 5 years, including 2013, where reductions were achieved in total crime (-1.5%) and property crime (-2.0%), with a slight increase in violent crime (1.7%). Anne Arundel's total crime rate (3,023.4) is the lowest in the county's history which includes the lowest larceny/theft, and motor vehicle theft rates, and the the 2nd lowest burglary rate ever reported. The violent crime rate (417.6) is the 2nd lowest in the county since 1990, while the aggravated assault rate is the lowest in 15 years.

Baltimore City

Crime in Baltimore City has steadily decreased over the past 10 years with a slight reversal in 2013 where the city experienced a 4.0% increase in total crime and a 5.4% increase in property crime. The city did experience a slight 0.8% reduction in violent crime with 68 fewer crimes reported. The violent crime rate (1,406.4) is the lowest ever reported in the city while its aggravated assault rate the lowest ever reported in the city since 1977.

Baltimore County

Baltimore County has consistently achieved crime reductions over the past five years with slight increases in total crime (0.4%), violent crime (0.5%), and property crime (0.4%) in 2013. The total crime rate (3,392.4) and property crime rate (2,881.9) are the lowest ever reported which includes the lowest rate of burglaries and motor vehicle thefts and the 2nd lowest larceny/theft rate ever reported in the county's history. The violent crime rate (510.4) and aggravated assault rate are the lowest since 1976.

Calvert County

Calvert County has achieved five consecutive years of reductions in violent crime including a 7.0% reduction in 2013. The violent crime rate (118.8) and aggravated assault rate are the lowest ever reported in the county. Calvert County also experienced reductions in total crime (-4.0%) and property crime (-3.8%). Its total crime rate (1,934.9) is the 2nd lowest in the county's history.

Caroline County

Caroline County achieved a second consecutive year of crime reduction with a reduction in total crime (-4.7%), and property crime (-3.1%), as well as a significant 18.3% reduction in violent crime which is the 3rd largest

reduction in the state. Its violent crime rate (287.8) and aggravated assault rate are the lowest in the county since 1993 and its motor vehicle theft rate is the lowest since 1983.

Carroll County

Carroll County has experienced two consecutive years of significant violent crime increases with an 11.8% increase in 2013. The county achieved significant reductions in both total crime (-11.3%) and property crime (-13.9%). Its total crime rate (1,602.1), property crime rate (1,398.0), larceny/theft and motor vehicle theft rates are the lowest ever reported in the county and its robbery rate is the lowest since 1990.

Cecil County

Cecil County achieved a third consecutive year of crime reduction with significant reductions in total crime (-15.6%), violent crime (-20.6%), both representing the 2nd largest reduction in the state of all counties, as well as a significant reduction in property crime (-14.8%), which is the 3rd largest reduction in the state. Its total crime rate (3,243.9), violent crime rate (427.2), and property crime rate (2,816.7) are the lowest in the county since 1994, 1995, and 1996 respectively. Its aggravated assault rate is the lowest in the county since 1978 and its motor vehicle theft rate is the lowest ever reported.

Charles County

After achieving gradual reductions in total, violent, and property crime over the past 5 years, there was a slight uptick in total crime (5.0%), violent crime (2.3%) and property crime (5.5%) in Charles County in 2013. The total crime rate (2,706.0) and the property crime rate (2,319.4) are the 2nd lowest ever reported and the violent crime rate (386.7) is the 2nd lowest since 1984. The larceny/theft and motor vehicle theft rates are the 2nd lowest ever reported, while its robbery rate is the lowest since 1993.

Dorchester County

After experiencing three consecutive years of increases in total crime, there was a reversal in 2013 as Dorchester County achieved a significant 14.4% reduction in total crime (3rd largest reduction in the state), a significant 15.2% reduction in property crime (2nd largest reduction in the state), as well as a reduction in violent crime (-9.1%). Its total crime rate (3,437.9) is the lowest ever reported in the county while its property crime rate (2,977.5) is the 2nd lowest ever reported. The burglary and motor vehicle theft rates are also the lowest ever reported in the county's history while the aggravated assault rate is the 2nd lowest ever reported.

Frederick County

Frederick County has remained relatively stable in total crime and property crime over the past 5 years and this trend has continued in 2013 with slight increases in total crime (3.1%) and property crime (3.7%), with a slight reduction in violent crime (-1.0%). Its violent crime rate (253.9) is the 2nd lowest ever reported in the county. Its rape and motor vehicle thefts rates are the lowest ever reported and its aggravated assault rate is then 3rd lowest ever reported.

Garrett County

Crime has fluctuated in Garrett County over the past 5 years. The county witnessed the largest increase in violent crime in the state (80.3%) with an increase of 57 incidents. Garrett County also experienced increases in total crime (14.6%), which is the largest increase in the state, and property crime (5.9%). Its total crime rate (2,345.9) is the highest in the county since 1993 and its violent crime rate (429.0) and aggravated assault rate are the 2nd highest ever reported.

Harford County

Harford County has achieved steady reductions in total, violent, and property crime over the previous 3-4 years with a reversal over the past 2 years. The county experienced a slight increase in property crime (0.8%), a reduction in violent crime (-5.0%) while no change in total crime (-0.1%). The total crime rate (1,888.2) and the property crime rate (1,623.6) are still the 2nd and 3rd lowest ever reported respectively. The motor vehicle theft rate is the lowest ever reported, the aggravated assault rate is the 2nd lowest ever reported, and the burglary and larceny/theft rates are the 3rd lowest ever reported.

Howard County

In 2013, Howard County continued its reductions in total crime (-3.5%) and property crime (-4.6%), while experiencing an increase in violent crime (7.8%). The total crime rate (2,222.7) and property crime rate (2,016.9) are the lowest ever reported. Burglaries, larceny/thefts, and motor vehicle thefts are also at their lowest rates ever reported in the county.

Kent County

Kent County's crime statistics fluctuate from year to year with numerous increases and reductions. The county experienced reductions in total crime (-9.1%), violent crime (-24.7%), the largest reduction in the state, and property crime (-5.3%). Its current motor vehicle theft rate is the 2nd lowest ever reported in the county and its burglary rate is the 3rd lowest ever reported, while its robbery rate is the highest ever reported.

Montgomery County

Montgomery County has achieved its 5th consecutive year of total crime (-6.4%), property crime (-6.5%) and violent crime (-5.6%) reductions in 2013 compared to 2012. The total crime rate (1,774.6) and property crime rate (1,600.6) are both the lowest ever reported in the county as are the robbery, burglary, larceny/theft, and motor vehicle theft rates. Its violent crime rate (174.0) is the 2nd lowest ever reported in the county.

Prince George's County

Crime in Prince George's County has steadily declined since 2006. This trend continued into 2013 with reductions in total crime (-8.4%), violent crime (-9.2%), and property crime (-8.2%). The total crime rate (3,722.5), violent crime rate (505.6), and property crime rate (3,216.9) are all the lowest ever reported. The rates of robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny/theft, and motor vehicle theft are also the lowest ever reported. The rape rate is the 2nd lowest ever reported and the homicide rate is the 3rd lowest ever reported.

Queen Anne's County

After achieving large reductions in crime in 2012, there was a reverse trend in 2013 from Queen Anne's County, who witnessed increases in total crime (5.1%), property crime (2.9%), and the 2nd largest increase in violent crime (24.7%). Its total crime rate (1,963.9) and property crime rate (1,726.9) are the 2nd lowest ever reported in the county. The larceny/theft rate is the lowest ever reported and the motor vehicle theft rate is 2nd lowest ever reported.

Somerset County

Somerset County has achieved significant reductions in crime over the last five years. In 2013, the county experienced a reduction in violent crime (-5.3%) with slight increases in total crime (2.8%) and property crime (4.0%). The total crime rate (2,230.6) and property crime rate (1,959.9) are the 2nd lowest ever reported in the

county. The violent crime rate (270.7) is the lowest since 1978. The aggravated assault and burglary rates are also the lowest ever reported in the county.

St. Mary's County

After witnessing its 3rd consecutive year of crime increases, St. Mary's County achieved significant reductions in both total crime (-9.6%), and property crime (-10.0%), while also achieving a reduction in violent crime (-5.4%) in 2013 compared to 2012. Its violent crime rate (220.3) and aggravated assault rate are the lowest since 1978.

Talbot County

Crime has been on the decline in Talbot County over the past 5 years and 2013 was no different with the largest reductions in the state in total crime (-23.1%), and property crime (-23.7%), and the 3rd largest reduction in violent crime (-18.0%). The total crime rate (1,926.6), violent crime rate (190.8) and property crime rate (1,735.8) are all the lowest ever reported in the county, as is the aggravated assault, larceny/theft, and motor vehicle theft rates.

Washington County

Crime has fluctuated in Washington County over the last 5 years which experienced slight increases in total crime (1.3%), violent crime (0.3%), and property crime (1.4%) in 2013. The total crime rate (2,329.0) is the 3rd lowest ever reported in the county while the violent crime rate (258.8) is the 2nd lowest since 1988. Its aggravated assault rate is also the lowest since 1988.

Wicomico County

Wicomico County has achieved a 4th consecutive year of crime reductions with reductions in total crime (-1.1 %) and violent crime (-9.0%), with a slight increase in property crime (0.2%) in 2013 compared to 2012. The total crime rate (3,817.4) and property crime rate (3,320.5) are the lowest in the county since 1975, and the violent crime rate (496.9) is the lowest since 1984. The aggravated assault rate is the lowest in thirty years, the larceny theft rate is the lowest since 1975, and the burglary rate and motor vehicle theft rates are the 2nd lowest ever reported.

Worcester County

After achieving a 3rd straight year of violent crime reduction, this trend took a reversal in Worcester County in 2013 who witnessed a significant 16.7% increase in violent (the 3rd largest increase in the state). Total crime and property crime decreased 2.9% and 4.5% respectively. Its total crime rate (4,511.0) and property crime rate (4,091.4) are both the lowest ever reported in the county. Despite its increase, the violent crime rate (419.6) is still the 2nd lowest ever reported. The aggravated assault and larceny/theft rates are the 2nd lowest in the county's history, and the burglary rate is the 3rd lowest ever reported.